

Frank O'Bannon was not born with a grand ambition to become Governor of the State of Indiana. He was imbued from childhood with a sense of community responsibility that led him to be a part of building up his Harrison County community.

That spirit of reaching out and reaching up could not be bound by county line. He followed his father's footsteps to the Indiana State Senate. And he answered a groundswell call to seek statewide office, not for personal glory, but because he felt he could contribute to the team called the Hoosier community.

His commitment, always, was to faith, community, and family. His faith was personal, but all of Indiana was his community, and his family.

George Bernard Shaw put it best in a passage that Governor O'Bannon lived by, and repeated in his first inaugural speech:

"I am convinced that my life belongs to the whole community, and as long as I live, it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can. I want to be thoroughly used up when I die, for the harder I work, the more I live. Life is no brief candle for me. It is a sort of splendid torch, which I got hold of for a moment, and I want to make it burn as brightly as I can before turning it over to future generations."

Governor O'Bannon has turned over that torch. It is now our responsibility to tend to the flame.

May it always burn brightly.



**Governor Frank O'Bannon
1930-2003**

Memorial Service
Friday, September 19, 2003
12 Noon Indiana State Capitol

Music

Carrie Newcomer

Prelude

Courtney Rice, Indianapolis Firefighters' Bagpipe Band

Escort of Special Guests to Seats

Military Department of Indiana Honor Guard

Escorts of Speakers and Performers to Stage

Military Department of Indiana Honor Guard

Escort of O'Bannon Family to Seats

School Children and Teachers from Day Nursery-State, Building Blocks Academy, and North United Methodist Church, all of Indianapolis

**Rise for Posting of the Colors
and National Anthem**

Indiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard

Posting of the Colors

Military Department of Indiana Honor Guard

"Star Spangled Banner"

Indiana State Police Superintendent Melvin J. Carraway

Remarks

Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard

Prayer

Sandy Eisenberg Sasso, Rabbi of Congregation Beth El Zedeck of Indianapolis

Original Composition Written to Honor Governor O'Bannon

Written by David Baker

Performed by The David Baker Trio

Remarks

U.S. Senator Evan Bayh

Prayer

Dr. Sayyid Syeed, Secretary General
Islamic Society of North America

"The 23rd Psalm"

Drew Brown, 4th grader at International School of Indiana
Luciana Lira, 4th grader at Carmel Elementary School

"Danny Boy"

Members of the Circle City Sound Barbershop Chorus

"The Lord's Prayer"

Tim Joyce, Chief of Staff to Governor O'Bannon

"Amazing Grace"

Sandy Patti

Prayer

Pastor Ternae T. Jordan, Sr., Greater Progressive Baptist Church, Fort Wayne

Remarks

Governor Joseph E. Kernan

"Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi"

Reverend Richard E. Hamilton, retired North United Methodist Church in Indianapolis

Nineteen-round Artillery Salute

Military Department of Indiana Honor Guard

"Echo Taps"

Military Department of Indiana Honor Guard

Missing Man Fly-over

Indiana Air National Guard, Fort Wayne

Retiring of the Colors

Military Department of Indiana Honor Guard

"Back Home Again in Indiana"

Key Strummers

Doves released

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